



General Assembly Web Developer Meet & Hire
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**TWELVE
WEEKS.
ALL DAY.
EVERY
DAY.**

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BUILD YOUR TEAM

ABOUT THE PROGRAM:

WDI is General Assembly's Web Development Immersive track. Think of it as bootcamp. We certainly have. To us, immersive means all day, every day, weekends and weeknights, for 12 weeks straight. Students with completely different backgrounds, all trained as web developers.

Graduates have built full-stack applications from scratch, utilizing their skills in Ruby, Rails, JavaScript, Node, Ember, SQL, and many other languages and frameworks. More importantly, they've learned how to learn and continually build their dev skills. These grads are highly motivated, and they are hungry to put their new skills to work as junior web developers.

MEET OUR GRADS:

Take a look at GA's recent WDI graduates in this booklet, and spend your evening asking them about their work. If there's anyone you miss, check them out online via GA's alumni talent network, **Profiles**, at profiles.generalassemb.ly.

HOW TO HIRE:

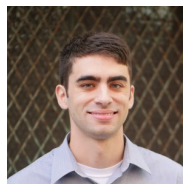
- › Full-time: Make them a permanent member of the team.
- › Contract Work: Hire them freelance, work out an agreement for a capstone project, or assemble a temp-to-perm arrangement.

QUESTIONS?

Contact Julie Carroll at julie.carroll@generalassemb.ly.

HELLO, I'M:

ALEXANDER BEERS



EVERY DAY, I BREAK EVERY TASK I'M DOING DOWN TO TWO CRITICAL STEPS: IDENTIFY THE PROBLEM AND FIND A SOLUTION. I LOVE WEB DEVELOPMENT BECAUSE THE PROBLEMS ARE INTERESTING, THE SOLUTIONS ARE MANY, AND IF YOU CHAIN ENOUGH SOLUTIONS TOGETHER, YOU CAN BUILD JUST ABOUT ANYTHING.

MY GENERAL ASSEMBLY EXPERIENCE:

Games, puzzles, and engineering have always been my greatest passions. While I enjoyed my previous experience as a structural engineer, something was missing. I wanted the opportunity to create solutions to all types of problems rather than variations on "How do we make sure the building still stands up?" I decided to learn web development and it's been the greatest decision I've ever made. General Assembly gave me the freedom to pursue my own projects as well as the tools necessary to bring them to life. I still have so much to learn, but this experience really kickstarted my journey into the world of development and I can't wait to take the next step.

TOP SKILLS:

JavaScript

Java

Ruby on Rails

OPPORTUNITIES I'M INTERESTED IN:

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HELLO, I'M:

ALEXANDER KOPYNEC



I HAVE ALWAYS BROUGHT A PROGRAMMATIC MINDSET TO MY WORK, BUT I RECENTLY DISCOVERED AN UNDERLYING PASSION FOR PROGRAMMING ITSELF. WRITING CODE TAPS INTO WHAT I ENJOYED MOST IN MY PREVIOUS WORK RENOVATING HOUSES, ANALYZING BACTERIAL GENETICS, AND TEACHING GEOMETRY. IT'S ALL ABOUT COLLABORATING TO BUILD STRONG SYSTEMS.

MY GENERAL ASSEMBLY EXPERIENCE:

I discovered programming during the summer of 2016, and suddenly everything clicked. Writing code brought together my favorite aspects of everything I had done professionally up to that point. I knew I had to learn more. After taking a computer science course in Java to bring myself up to speed on fundamentals, I dove headfirst into the Web Development Immersive at GA. It was exactly the experience I was looking for: fast-paced, collaborative, and focused on real-world skills. I didn't waste a single minute of those twelve weeks. Everything I learned, I expect to use in my day-to-day life as a developer.

TOP SKILLS:

JavaScript

Ruby on Rails

Ember.js

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HELLO, I'M:

BENJAMIN LEWIS



I JOINED THE GA WEB DEVELOPER IMMERSIVE PROGRAM SO I COULD LEARN THE SKILLS TO CREATE BETTER APPLICATIONS. I'M EXCITED TAKE THOSE SKILLS TO BUILD USEFUL PROGRAMS. AS AN EXPERIENCED ENTREPRENEUR I KNOW HOW TO LAUNCH PRODUCTS. THROUGH MY CUSTOMER SERVICE EXPERIENCE I'M ALSO AN EXPERT IN LISTENING TO CLIENT NEED.

MY GENERAL ASSEMBLY EXPERIENCE:

I've fiddled and adjusted code since I was a kid, whether it was modifying Drug Wars on the TI-82 or creating Tesla Dogs in Command and Conquer. Through my professional career I've brought working with code and developing products to the forefront of my work responsibilities. After a re-organization at my last position I realized that it was the right time to turn my passion for development into my career by participating in the GA WDI program.

TOP SKILLS:

Ruby	JavaScript	Project Management
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WEB DEVELOPMENT HAS OPENED MY EYES TO A NEW WORLD THAT TRULY MEETS ALL OF MY DESIRES IN A CAREER. TYING TOGETHER ARTISTIC CREATIVITY WITH ENGINEERING CAPABILITIES, MY WEB DEV SKILLS HAVE GIVEN ME THE ABILITY TO BRING TO LIFE IDEAS THAT ONCE LAID DORMANT IN MY MIND. I CAN'T WAIT TO DELVE DEEPER INTO SUCH A PIONEERING FIELD.

MY GENERAL ASSEMBLY EXPERIENCE:

My journey into web development blossomed while I was in search of a field that combines artistic creativity with practical ingenuity. In this search, a significant criterion for me was developing skills that were not only applicable for career purposes but ones that could provide a key to unlocking my own ideas. I love having the ability to transform simple ideas and wireframes into functional dynamic applications using the latest technologies. My penchant for design and efficiency drive my ambition to produce user-friendly, cleanly coded and robust applications that utilize the industry's best practices. In the end, my overarching aspiration is to bring to life ideas that have the potential to reach as many people as possible and make a positive impact on their lives.

TOP SKILLS:

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Ember.js

Ruby on Rails

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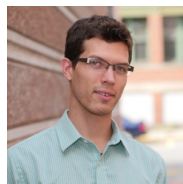
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HELLO, I'M:

DANIEL LEY



AS A SCIENTIST AND A MUSICIAN AT HEART, I BLEND CREATIVITY INTO MY SCIENTIFIC ENDEAVORS AS WELL AS DISCOVER UNDERLYING STRUCTURAL PATTERNS IN MY CREATIVE LIFE. I ENJOY LEARNING A NEW PROGRAMMING LANGUAGE JUST AS MUCH AS PICKING UP A NEW INSTRUMENT. I AM NOW IN A CAREER THAT BRINGS THESE TWO FACETS TOGETHER - WEB DEVELOPMENT

MY GENERAL ASSEMBLY EXPERIENCE:

Programming had been on my back-burner for a decade before I finally allowed myself to change careers and focus on it full-time. I had picked up enough to know what was possible with programming, but GA finally gave me the ability to bring these abstract notions into reality.

I learned how to model real world problems in a way that apps can solve. The best part of the experience was working in a team of people that challenged and encouraged each other to grow more than any one of us could have on our own.

As someone who likes to work behind the scenes to keep everything running smoothly, I hope to take my experiences into the tech industry to solve problems in system infrastructure and on the back-end.

TOP SKILLS:

Javascript | Ember.js

Ruby | Rails

Python

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HELLO, I'M:

JAMES COOMBS



WEB DEVELOPMENT IS THE INTERSECTION OF MY TWO PASSIONS: BUILDING AND TECHNOLOGY. IF I'M NOT MAKING SOMETHING, I AM READING ABOUT WHAT'S ON THE CUTTING EDGE OF COMPUTING. PUTTING THESE PIECES TOGETHER IS WHAT I LIVE FOR.

MY GENERAL ASSEMBLY EXPERIENCE:

I have had a lot of tangential experience with software development in my life: from modding PC games for fun, to spending years living with developers in college, to working next to professional web developers as an intern. Once I picked up coding I realized where their passion came from and decided to pursue development for myself.

My favorite times at WDI were during project weeks. It was during these intense periods of work that many concepts solidified for me; there is no better way to learn than by doing.

The knowledge of how to break down a complex problem, apply the necessary tools, and effectively correct any errors is what stood out most to me, and I look forward to applying and refining these skills in my career.

TOP SKILLS:

JavaScript

Ruby on Rails

Ember.js

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HELLO, I'M:

JEN BOYD



INTERIOR DESIGNER TURNED FULL-STACK WEB DEVELOPER. MY EXCITEMENT FOR DESIGNING BUILDING AND THINGS BROUGHT ME TO THE CONSTRUCTION INDUSTRY. THE LIMITLESS POTENTIAL OF BUILDING IN THE THE DIGITAL REALM BROUGHT ME TO DEVELOPMENT. AS A DEVELOPER, I ENJOYING BUILDING THINGS THAT A BRING DATA TO LIFE IN A BEAUTIFUL WAY.

MY GENERAL ASSEMBLY EXPERIENCE:

General Assembly's WDI program is 12-week intensive course on web development technologies and best practices. I built four projects using the latest in web technologies, cultivated my passion for coding and met some amazing developers. One of the most important things I took away from this course was a skill and passion for learning. Web development is exciting because there is always more to learn.

TOP SKILLS:

Ember.js

JavaScript

Design

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HELLO, I'M:

JULIE ESRIS



I HAVE ALWAYS LOVED TO CREATE. FROM THE TIME I WAS A SMALL CHILD, I HAVE ENJOYED WRITING, DRAWING, PHOTOGRAPHY, FILM, AND ANIMATION. OVER THE YEARS I HAVE USED THESE SKILLS TO MAKE THINGS. MOST RECENTLY, MY NEW OUTLET FOR "MAKING THINGS" IS WEB DEVELOPMENT, AND OFTEN I'LL STAY UP LATE DECIDING WHAT TO ADD NEXT TO MY APP!

MY GENERAL ASSEMBLY EXPERIENCE:

After completing General Assembly's Front-End Web Development and JavaScript Development classes, I decided that it was time to enroll in GA's Web Development Immersive (WDI) program, a full-time web development immersive that could train me to become a full-stack web developer. Front-end web development, however, is where my passion remains.

Now that I have completed the Web Development Immersive program, I plan to take over the front-end development world by building apps with a creative and outrageous spin.

TOP SKILLS:

JavaScript/Query

HTML/CSS

Ember.js

OPPORTUNITIES I'M INTERESTED IN:

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HELLO, I'M:

KATHERINE TABINOWSKI



I AM A FULL-STACK WEB DEVELOPER WITH AN EYE FOR CLEAN, USER-CENTERED DESIGN. THROUGH MY PREVIOUS ROLES IN FASHION, MARKETING, AND DIGITAL MEDIA, I HAVE FOUND A PASSION FOR COMBINING BEAUTIFUL CONTENT WITH POWERFUL CODE TO CREATE MEANINGFUL APPLICATIONS.

MY GENERAL ASSEMBLY EXPERIENCE:

My interest in programming began when I started my fashion blog five years ago. After teaching myself HTML and CSS, I realized that I was happiest most when I was learning to code. I enrolled in the Web Development Immersive at GA Boston because I was ready to turn my hobby into a full-fledged career. GA taught me not only modern programming languages and frameworks, but also how to learn the way a developer learns - by breaking down problems and being methodical (and Googling). What I've loved the most about my transition into tech is that I'll never stop learning. There's always something new to try or a problem to solve.

TOP SKILLS:

HTML5 / CSS3

JavaScript

Ruby on Rails

OPPORTUNITIES I'M INTERESTED IN:

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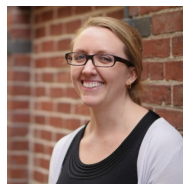
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HELLO, I'M:

KATHLEEN NODDIN



MY BACKGROUND IS IN PUBLIC HEALTH, AND THROUGH IT, I LEARNED HOW POWERFUL CODING CAN BE IN FINDING SOLUTIONS TO PROBLEMS. I WANTED TO DIVE DEEPER INTO THE WORLD OF PROGRAMMING, AND THE WEB DEVELOPMENT IMMERSIVE AT GA WAS JUST WHAT I NEEDED. I'M SO EXCITED TO USE MY SKILLS TO MAKE A MEANINGFUL IMPACT GOING FORWARD.

MY GENERAL ASSEMBLY EXPERIENCE:

With my background in public health, I became familiar with statistical programming as a way to analyze and visualize data. The more I programmed, the more I realized that coding was a necessary creative outlet for me in my day-to-day. I wanted to go further and explore the world of coding in a broader context. GA gave me the skills I was looking for, and a deeper passion for learning new languages and frameworks that can be applied to any industry. I am so excited to move forward in my career.

TOP SKILLS:

JavaScript

Ruby on Rails

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HELLO, I'M:

REBEKAH HEACOCK JONES



A FORMER TECHNICAL PROJECT MANAGER, I SWITCHED TO ENGINEERING WHEN MY CURIOSITY ABOUT CODE BECAME OVERWHELMING. I LOVE A GOOD CHALLENGE, AND I'M CONSTANTLY WORKING TO HONE MY CRAFT.

MY GENERAL ASSEMBLY EXPERIENCE:

After several years of taking CS classes and following online code tutorials, I recently took the plunge into full-time programming. GA's Web Development Immersive program helped me tie together what I had learned on my own and build on my existing skills with new-to-me frameworks like Rails and Ember. I'm now confident I can pick up a new tech quickly and hit the ground running with it, and I'm excited to stay sharp and flexible moving forward.

TOP SKILLS:

JavaScript

Ruby/Rails

Databases (SQL & MongoDB)

OPPORTUNITIES I'M INTERESTED IN:

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HELLO, I'M:

ROBBE SMITH



AFTER A NUMBER OF YEARS WORKING IN PRINTING, A DECLINING INDUSTRY, THE OPPORTUNITIES THAT TECHNOLOGY INNOVATION PROVIDE IN THE DIGITAL SPACE INSPIRED A CAREER CHANGE. MY ACCOUNT MANAGEMENT AND CORPORATE BACKGROUND MARRIED WITH MY NEW SKILLSET IN WEB DEVELOPMENT GIVES ME A UNIQUE VALUE PROPOSITION FOR MY FUTURE EMPLOYER.

MY GENERAL ASSEMBLY EXPERIENCE:

After working in and around the printing industry for a number of years, I decided it was time for a change as the printing industry is declining. I have always been interested in technology, and the mechanics of how things work. That interest led me to General Assembly. I was fairly new to coding when I started at GA, but I can see that it will be a life long passion. I am always interested in learning new things, and in the world of web development there is no shortage of things to learn.

TOP SKILLS:

HTML / CSS

JavaScript

Ruby on Rails

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HELLO, I'M:

TUCKER ROSEBROCK



I FIRST BECAME INTERESTED IN PROGRAMMING DURING THE PURSUIT OF MY GRADUATE DEGREE IN FICTION, AND IT WAS LIKE A HUNDRED MILLION LIGHTBULBS GOING OFF ALL AT ONCE. I LOVED THE WAY PROGRAMMING CHALLENGED ALL SIDES OF MY BRAIN, AND I KNEW THEN THAT THIS WAS WHAT I WANTED TO DO EVERY DAY FOR THE REST OF MY CAREER.

MY GENERAL ASSEMBLY EXPERIENCE:

After teaching myself some programming basics for a few years, I decided to take the plunge and enroll in GA's Web Development Immersive course to turn my hobby into a career. There, I strengthened my existing front-end skills and built a solid foundation in back-end structures and languages, all while solidifying my understanding of core concepts and best practices of programming.

TOP SKILLS:

HTML5 / CSS3

JavaScript

Ruby on Rails

OPPORTUNITIES I'M INTERESTED IN:

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HELLO, I'M:

VIOLETA VENEGAS



ORIGINALLY FROM LIMA, PERU, IT IS MY GOAL TO MOTIVATE OTHER MINORITY WOMEN TO THINK "TECH." WEB DEVELOPMENT IS A FIELD WHERE SOCIAL SKILLS AND TEAMWORK ARE KEY, AND THIS IS WHY I AM ENJOYING MY NEW CAREER CHOICE! WEB DEVS ARE CURIOUS PEOPLE, BUT I AM ALSO PASSIONATE OF ADDING VALUE TO EVERYTHING I DO, AND LEARNING FROM IT.

MY GENERAL ASSEMBLY EXPERIENCE:

General Assembly has empowered me with new and useful skills on my journey as a Web Developer. Plus, they gave me an scholarship to take the WDI program! By supporting minorities who aspire to take on a tech career, GA is taking on diversity efforts, a main component and opportunity for tech companies to enrich their team. The best part of GA? The students. We are all a little bit crazy but motivated and supportive.

TOP SKILLS:

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HELLO, I'M:

WILL MCBRIDE



I FIRST DABBLED IN WEB DEVELOPMENT BY OFFERING TO BUILD A REPLACEMENT FOR A NON-PROFIT'S ANTIQUATED WEBSITE. SIX MONTHS LATER, I AM A PASSIONATE AND DRIVEN FULL STACK DEVELOPER WITH USER-FOCUSED FRONT-END SKILLS AND BACK-END INTUITION. I WANT TO LEARN FROM THE BEST AND CONTINUALLY GROW AS A DEVELOPER.

MY GENERAL ASSEMBLY EXPERIENCE:

I have always loved tech and have known it was a field I wanted to enter. But, as a finance major, I always found myself scrolling past dozens of engineering/dev roles to find that lonely sales associate position I qualified for. At a point, I decided I could scroll no more, and made the best decision of my life by enrolling in GA to become a developer. Within weeks, I found myself amazed by the projects GA helped me accomplish. I have found that I am most skilled in JavaScript and most likely want to specialize in the language and its many frameworks in the future.

TOP SKILLS:

JavaScript

Ruby on Rails

Ember.js

OPPORTUNITIES I'M INTERESTED IN:

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